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production of all documents required for the construction of the proposed construction Project in a format and in sufficient quantity to permit advertisement and award of a construction contract soon after securing construction financing for the Project:

- (c) EDA will not disburse any portion of the Investment Assistance until it receives and certifies compliance with the Investment award of all design and engineering contracts; and
- (d) EDA's funding of the Project for design and engineering work does not in any way commit EDA to fund construction of the Project.

Subpart B—Requirements for Approved Projects

§ 305.5 Project administration by District Organization.

- (a) When a District Organization is not the Recipient or co-Recipient of Investment Assistance, the District Organization may administer the Project for the Recipient if EDA determines fulfillment of the following conditions:
- (1) The Recipient has requested (either in the application or by separate written request) that the District Organization for the Region in which the Project is located administer the Project:
- (2) The Recipient certifies and EDA finds that:
- (i) Administration of the Project is beyond the capacity of the Recipient's current staff and would require hiring additional staff or contracting for such services:
- (ii) No local organization or business exists that could administer the Project in a more efficient or cost-effective manner than the staff of the District Organization; and
- (iii) The staff of the District Organization would administer the Project without sub-contracting the work; and
- (3) The allowable costs for the administration of the Project by the District Organization's staff will not exceed the amount that would be allowable to the Recipient.
- (b) EDA must approve the request either by approving the application in which the request is made or by separate specific written approval.

§ 305.6 Allowable methods of procurement for construction services.

- (a) Recipients may use alternate construction procurement methods to the traditional design/bid/build procedures (including lump sum or unit price-type construction contracts). These methods include but are not limited to design/build, construction management at risk and force account. If an alternate method is used, the Recipient shall submit to EDA for approval a construction services procurement plan and the Recipient must use a design professional to oversee the process. The Recipient shall submit the plan to EDA prior to advertisement for bids and shall include the following, as applicable:
- (1) Justification for the proposed method for procurement of construction services:
- (2) The scope of work with cost estimates and schedules;
- (3) A copy of the proposed construction contract;
- (4) The name and qualifications of the selected design professional; and
- (5) Procedures to be used to ensure full and open competition, including the selection criteria.
- (b) For all procurement methods, the Recipient must comply with the procurement standards set forth in 15 CFR parts 14 or 24, as applicable.

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§ 305.7 Services performed by the Recipient's own forces.

In certain circumstances, the Recipient may wish to consider having a portion or all of the design, construction, inspection, legal services or other work and/or services in connection with the Project performed by personnel who are employed by the Recipient either full-time or part-time. EDA may approve the use of such "in-house forces" if:

- (a) The services are routinely performed by the Recipient for all construction Projects performed by the Recipient (for example, inspection or legal); or
- (b) The Recipient has a special skill required for the construction of the Project (for example, construction of unique Indian structures); or